

Unapproved, unofficial Minutes of the August 1, 2022 Lackawanna Trail School Board Meeting

The LTSD Board of Education had a meeting on August 1, 2022 @ 7:38pm in the Board room with a watch/voice only ZOOM session, public notice having been given in accordance with Pa.C.S.A. § 709 (Sunshine Act) & LTSD Procedure #006. The President called the meeting to order. Present: Mr. Bianchi, Mr. Minick, Dr. Mould, Mr. Mulhern, Mr. Ross, Mr. Schmidt, Mrs. Wescott. Absent: Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Petula. Administrators present: Mr. Rushefski, Dr. Murphy, Mr. Kearney, Mr. Glynn, Mr. Schofield, and Mrs. Kuchak.

There were six several members of the public in person and ONE reporter present at the meeting. Others attended via ZOOM.

Public Comment by several attendees primarily regarding Covid and Masking regulations.

- Mike Bass commented about the Health & Safety plan not being available until ten hours before the meeting and asked about masking.
- Andrea Mecca commented on masking regulations
- Candace Haft discussed Covid testing procedures
- Heath Gumble alleged that masking is an apparent violation of the Nuremberg Code.
- Joe Strauch reviewed several concerns about the proposed policies on the agenda

The following items were proposed for the August 8 agenda.

- + Move that all bills found to be true and accurate be approved.
- + Move that the board approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted.
- + Move that the board approve the agreement with Wansacz Consulting Services from August 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023.
- + Move that the board approve the agreement with ISS Solutions, Inc. for network support services in the amount of \$8000.
- + Move that the board approve the transportation services to be provided by the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf for the 2022-2023 school year.
- + Move that the board approve the following list of bus contractors/contracted drivers for the 2022-2023 school year. All clearances are currently on file.

Bus Contractors Bus Drivers and Substitutes:

Gloria Aten, Tina Barrasse, Wayne Beers, Anthony Dodge Jr., Sandy Fulkersin, Brian Kane, L. Robyn Nichols, Nichols Bus Company, Padula Ritter Bus Company, Joann Padula, James Schirg, Mary Smarkusky, Tina Smith, Allen Tator, James B. Vasky and James M. Vasky. William Archer, Paul Fetter, Brandon Loch, James R. Nichols, Seamus Nichols, Ray Oswald, Jason Schirg, Vladimir Schlasta, Micah Schneider, William Smarkusky and Sandra Snyder.

Private Vehicle Contractors and Substitutes:

Brenda Bouch, Derek Buffington, Margaret Burns, D. Wayne Burns, Gayle Demming, Kathy Geerts, Catherine Gerrity, Kenneth Hansen, Lizbeth Hansen, Debbie Hazlak, Constance James, Vince Kalinoski, Ann Marie Kalinoski, Linda Kettell, Theresa Loney, Connie Otto, Gretchen Sheposh, Amy Smith, Judith Smith, Karl Smith, Cheryl Sutton, Gennifer Sutton and James Tasker.

- + Move that the board approve the following School Nurse Substitutes for the 2022-2023 school year. All clearances are on file.
 - Maureen Mahoney, RN
 - Brenda Grunza, RN
- + Move that the board approve the adoption of policy 239 Foreign Exchange Students.
- + Move that the board approve the first reading of the following policies:
 - [005 Organization](#)
 - [240 Awards](#)
 - [249 Bullying/Cyberbullying](#)
- + Move that the board approve the 2022-2025 Lackawanna Trail School District Comprehensive Plan.
- + Move that the board approve the 2022-2023 Lackawanna Trail School District Health and Safety Plan.

A discussion about the availability of a qualified French Teacher indicated possible alternative plans under consideration.

+ Move that the board approve _____ as a French Teacher at a salary of _____, _____ level, step _____, prorated, according to the LTEA contract, from August 29, 2022 through November 30, 2022. All clearances are on file.

+ Move that the board approve _____ as a Physical Education Teacher at a salary of _____, _____ level, step _____, prorated, according to the LTEA contract, for the first semester of the 2022-2023 school year.

+ Move that the board approve Nancy Brown as a full-time Level I Personal Care Assistant at 6 ½ hours per day, as scheduled at the rate of \$13.50 plus \$2.50 per hour whenever supporting a Level I student, per the LTESPA collective bargaining agreement, to begin the 2022-2023 school year. All clearances are on file.

+ Move that the board approve Sarah McCullon as a part-time Level I Personal Care Assistant at 4¾ hours per day, as scheduled at the rate of \$13.50 plus \$2.50 per hour whenever supporting a Level I Classroom, per the LTESPA collective bargaining agreement, to begin the 2022-2023 school year. All clearances are on file.

+ Move that the board approve Rachel Hibson as a part-time Paraprofessional at 4 ¾ hours per day, as scheduled at the rate of \$13.50 per hour, per the LTESPA collective bargaining agreement, to begin the 2022-2023 school year. All clearances are on file.

+ Move that the board approve Dana Steffy as a part-time Paraprofessional at 4 ¾ hours per day, as scheduled at the rate of \$13.50 per hour, per the LTESPA collective bargaining agreement, to begin the 2022-2023 school year. All clearances are on file.

+ Move that the board approve _____ as a part-time Paraprofessional at 4 ¾ hours per day, as scheduled at the rate of \$13.50 per hour, per the LTESPA collective bargaining agreement, to begin the 2022-2023 school year. All clearances are on file.

+ Move that the board approve Eric Laytos as a volunteer assistant with the football team for the 2022-2023 school year. All clearances are on file.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

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There was an Executive Session before the meeting from 6:30pm to 7:32pm to discuss:

- + personnel
- + the Health and Safety Plan
- + Threat Assessment teams
- + Title IX
- + Solicitor RFPs.

There was an Executive Session announced to be held before the next public meeting